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## Hit and Run Leads to Two DUI Arrests

**Poulsbo** – A hit and run collision involving a man allegedly ramming a utility worker's car lead to the arrest of two drivers for the suspicion of driving under the influence (DUI) in Poulsbo Tuesday afternoon.

Washington State Patrol (WSP) Communications received reports of an Elm Utility worker stating a man was ramming his Kia Sole with a Nissan Titan in a driveway off the 1200 Block of state Route 308. The Nissan Titan reportedly continued to ram the Kia Sole until the vehicle was pushed off the driveway into trees. After that, the driver of the Nissan Titan allegedly exited the vehicle and began following and threatening the utility worker on foot. No one involved sustained injuries.

WSP Troopers arrived on scene and observed the Nissan Titan at the top of the driveway. As they ordered the driver to stop, he continued down the driveway and entered a residence. Troopers later contacted the residence and detained the driver, a 60-year-old Poulsbo resident. The driver was arrested under the suspicion of driving under the influence, failure to obey an officer, hit and run and assault charges and was booked in Kitsap County Jail. He is expected to appear in Kitsap County Superior Court Wednesday.

As troopers were responding to the scene, they noticed a Dodge Dakota pickup parked perpendicular to the roadway off state Route 308 at Vincent Road. The same vehicle later drove down the same driveway where troopers were investigating the hit and run collision. Troopers contacted the driver, who stated he observed the utility worker's vehicle stuck in the bushes and wanted to assist.

Troopers on scene detected the odor of intoxicants coming from the driver of the Dodge Dakota. He was placed under arrest for suspicion of DUI and booked in Kitsap County Jail. He is expected to appear in Kitsap County District Court Wednesday.

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